CDBG PROGRAM AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE

The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) offers grants to Missouri communities to improve local facilities, address health and safety concerns, and develop a greater capacity for growth. This category provides assistance to address compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

AUTHORIZATION

The Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-383), as amended.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

State CDBG funds are only available to nonentitlement areas (incorporated municipalities under 50,000 and counties under 200,000).

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Elevators, chair lifts, and large restroom renovations are eligible. Only those activities necessary for ADA compliance are eligible. General improvements or enhancements that relate to conducting government business are prohibited.

PRIORITIES FOR ASSISTANCE

Since courthouses in Missouri represent very high traffic area and would achieve the highest impact with renovation, they will be considered the priority for funding. High traffic city halls and other public buildings will be considered when funding becomes available. Applicants who have completed a plan recognizing all necessary activities to achieve ADA compliance (doors, ramps, signage, restrooms, parking, etc.) and applied a timeline and budget to that plan will receive consideration.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications are accepted on a continuous cycle throughout the year with no deadline date. Applications are rated on need, project impact, local effort, and past efforts to address need. To receive a recommendation for funding, an application must score 65 out of 100 points.

Communities interested in applying for grant assistance should complete the CDBG application, submit the State Historic Preservation clearance documents, a plan for full ADA compliance (including a timeline), and a preliminary architectural plan.

The application and guidelines are available on the Department of Economic Development website at www.ecodev.state.mo.us/cd. The CDBG group can also provide a technical assistance guide for completing the architectural plan and clearance from the State Historic Preservation Office.

FUNDING LIMITS

The maximum amount any applicant can apply for is \$250,000 or \$5,000 per household.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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